

In the Claims:

Claim 1

Please replace Claim 1 with the following:

1. A computerized method for processing administrative data of a medical service provider including billing, reimbursement, credentialing, pre-authorization and collection data, comprising the steps of:

defining standard administrative data formats for use by a medical service provider system, a coordinator system, and practice management agent systems, in creating and processing administrative data;

creating neutral evaluation data for said coordinator system by tracking administrative data transferred between said medical service provider system and said practice management agent systems, wherein said administrative data is in said standard administrative data formats, said neutral evaluation data including price, features, turnaround time, ancillary services, guarantees, and customer service information; and

providing said neutral evaluation data to said medical service provider system for selection of a practice management agent system from said practice management agent systems.

Claim 7

Please replace Claim 7 with the following:

7. A system for providing administrative services for a medical service provider, comprising:

a coordinator system for standardizing administrative data formats for processing administrative data of a medical service provider system by a first practice management agent system, said coordinator system providing data access authorization and security for said administrative data of said medical service provider system to said first practice management agent system, and for providing evaluation data from said first practice management agent system for evaluation by said medical service provider system; and

wherein said standardized said administrative data format substantially eliminates costs incurred by said medical service provider system for switching from said first practice management agent system to a second practice management agent system.

Claim 14

Please replace Claim 14 with the following:

14. An Internet-based system for selecting a practice management agent system for providing administrative services to a medical service provider system, comprising:

a server computer hosting a practice management agent selection service accessible via client computers to a medical service provider;

wherein the server computer provides a user interface comprising input controls whereby said medical service provider system selects criteria and a display whereby results are displayed, the input controls including a set of menu items including entering practice management search criteria, submitting search criteria to a coordinator system, analyze and display neutral evaluation data, and select practice management agent system, said neutral evaluation data created through the tracking of administrative data transferred between medical service providers and said practice management agent system; and

whereby said selection service is available via the Internet to assist a medical service provider system in selecting a practice management agent system.

In the Drawings:

The Applicant has submitted red-marked Figures 1-3 for the Examiner's convenience.